GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
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STARRED QUESTION NO:292
ANSWERED ON:16.03.2011
PRODUCTION OF COAL
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reviewed the production of coal by Coal India Limited (CIL) during the current year;

(b) if so, the outcome thereof;

(c) the targets fixed in this regard and the achievements made during the above period;

(d) whether there has been any gap between the targets and the achievements during the above period;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to augment the production of coal by the subsidiaries of CIL to bridge the gap during the next financial year?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT AS MENTIONED IN ANSWER TO STARRED QUESTION No.292 FOR ANSWER ON 16.03.2011 ASKED BY SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE AND SHRI JAGDISH SHARMA REGARDING PRODUCTION OF COAL.

(a) & (b) & (c): Yes Sir. Government has reviewed the production level of Coal India Limited (CIL) at several levels including reviews at Planning Commission and also at the level of Ministry of Coal.

As per Annual Plan 2010-11, Coal production Target for CIL was fixed at 460.50 Mt. This has been reviewed at the time of finalization of Annual Plan 2011-12. Revised estimate for CIL for 2010-11 is 440.20 Mt. However, the achievement made up-to Feb. 2011 is 380.625 Mt.

(d) & (e): Yes Sir. There has been a gap of 32.92 Mt between original target of 413.545 MT upto Feb. 2011 & actual achievement of 380.625 MT upto Feb. 2011.

The major constraints for shortfall in achievement of target are as under:-

(i) Projects being affected due to embargo imposed in view of CEPI

(ii) Inordinate delay in environmental and forestry clearances of major projects.

(iii) The delay in land acquisition of the projects.

(iv) R & R Problems including demands beyond stipulated norms.

(v) Absence of proper infrastructure of railways in some coalfields.

(vi) Law and order problem particularly in the States of Orissa & Jharkhand.

(f): While the Government shall continue to intensify its efforts to provide the support required by the coal companies to achieve the targets, CIL has planned to take the following major steps to achieve the targets during the next financial year:-

(i) By increasing the efficiency of the equipments, regular monitoring, mechanization as programmed and strict supervision of the existing mines and on going projects.

(ii) Capacity addition from new & future projects.

(iii) Intensively pursuing with the Government for resolving issues of environmental and forestry clearances, land acquisition and law & order problems.